

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 22, line 10 and ending on page 22, line 17 with the following amended paragraph marked up to show changes made relative to the immediate prior version:

A server may be used by one or more service providers to provide information, services, etc. to one or more users. For example, a service provider might be or include an auction oriented Web site (e.g., ~~www.ebay.com~~ eBay Inc.'s Web site), an information oriented Web site (e.g., ~~www.uspto.gov~~ The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's Web site), a consumer products Web site (e.g., ~~www.amazon.com~~ Amazon.com Inc.'s Web site), a Web portal (e.g., ~~www.yahoo.com~~ Yahoo! Inc.'s Web site), etc. A service provider might use a server to allow access by users or other entities or devices to databases, email distribution lists, or other information stored on the server or under the control of the server. The use, configuration and operation of servers will be discussed in more detail below.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 13, line 17 and ending on page 13, line 24 with the following amended paragraph marked up to show changes made relative to the immediate prior version:

Now referring to Figure 2, a conventional computer 110 is illustrated with a display 112, mouse 114, and keyboard 116. A computer ~~100-110~~ displays a privacy notification or image 118 and indicates a privacy level of "1" for an interaction. In some embodiments, a privacy level of "1" may indicate that a service provider may disclose information received from a user or about a user involved in an interaction with the ~~service~~ service provider in aggregate with other users, but not individually. In some embodiments, an image or icon of an ear or recording device may be used instead of the image ~~188-118~~ to indicate a privacy level of "1" or other privacy level.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 24, line 18 and ending on page 24, line 29 with the following amended paragraph marked up to show changes made relative to the immediate prior version:

In some embodiments, a suitable wireless communication network 210 may include the use of BLUETOOTH[®] Bluetooth technology (a short-range wireless communication technology), allowing a wide range of computing and telecommunication devices to be interconnected via wireless connections. Specifications and other information regarding BLUETOOTH[®] Bluetooth technology are available at the BLUETOOTH[®] Bluetooth-Internet site-~~www.bluetooth.com~~. In embodiments utilizing ~~Bluetooth~~-BLUETOOTH[®] technology, some or all of the devices of Figure 6 may be equipped with a microchip transceiver that transmits and receives in a previously unused frequency band of 2.45 GHz that is available globally (with some variation of bandwidth in different countries). Connections can be point-to-point or multipoint over a current maximum range of ten (10) meters. Embodiments using BLUETOOTH[®] ~~Bluetooth~~ technology may require the additional use of one or more receiving stations to receive and forward data from individual user devices 202 or servers 204.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 25, line 23 and ending on page 25, line 29 with the following amended paragraph marked up to show changes made relative to the immediate prior version:

In addition to the above, the server 204 may include a memory or data storage device 260 to store information, software, databases, communications, device drivers, etc. The memory or data storage device 260 preferably comprises an appropriate combination of magnetic, optical and/or semiconductor memory, and may include, for example, Random Read-Only Memory (ROM), Random Access Memory (RAM), a tape drive, flash memory, a floppy disk drive, a ~~Zip~~ZIP[™] disk drive (portable storage device), a compact disc and/or a hard disk. The server 204 also may include separate ROM 262 and RAM 264.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 26, line 7 and ending on page 26, line 16 with the following amended paragraph marked up to show changes made relative to the immediate prior version:

A conventional personal computer or workstation with sufficient memory and processing capability may be used as the server 204. In one embodiment, the server 204 operates as or includes a Web server for an Internet environment. The server 204 preferably is capable of high volume transaction processing, performing a significant number of mathematical calculations in

processing communications and database searches. A ~~Pentium~~PENTIUM[™] microprocessor such as the ~~Pentium~~PENTIUM III[™] microprocessor, manufactured by Intel Corporation may be used for the processor 250. Alternative processors are available from Motorola, Inc., AMD, or Sun Microsystems, Inc. The processor 250 also may comprise one or more microprocessors, computers, computer systems, etc.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 32, line 15 and ending on page 32, line 28 with the following amended paragraph marked up to show changes made relative to the immediate prior version:

Each of the methods described above can be performed on a single computer, multi-processor or distributed computer system, computer system, microprocessor, etc. In addition, two or more of the steps in each of the methods described above could be performed on two or more different computers, computer systems, microprocessors, etc., some or all of which may be locally or remotely configured. The methods can be implemented in any sort or implementation of computer software, program, sets of instructions, code, ASIC, or specially designed chips, logic gates, or other hardware structured to directly effect or implement such software, programs, sets of instructions or code. The computer software, program, sets of instructions or code can be storable, writeable, or savable on any computer usable or readable media or other program storage device or media such as a floppy or other magnetic or optical disk, magnetic or optical tape, CD-ROM, DVD, punch cards, paper tape, hard disk drive, ~~Zip~~ZIP[™] disk, flash or optical memory card, microprocessor, solid state memory device, RAM, EPROM, or ROM.